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January 31, 2005

Dear Governor Blanco,

On behalf of the Adult Learning Task Force, I hereby submit the enclosed report detailing the observations and recommendations of the Task Force. It is our belief that the analysis and recommendations contained herein will be useful in guiding your administration's policies aimed at addressing the critical issue of adult learning in Louisiana.

Your administration is to be commended for pursuing meaningful solutions to Louisiana's systemic challenges. Your complementary initiatives in adult learning, high school redesign, and workforce competitiveness, and the summits you hosted on health care and poverty, have fostered focused analysis of interrelated components of our state's most burdensome realities.

The members of the Adult Learning Task Force join me in thanking you for your leadership and the opportunity to contribute to improving the quality of life for Louisiana's citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Savoie". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "J" and a cursive "Savoie".

Joseph Savoie
Commissioner of Higher Education
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